



#1 1731

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

SESSA et al.

Serial No.: 09/993,369

Filed: November 21, 2001

Atty. File No.: 3797BS-1

For: "UNIT FOR FORMING MOLTEN
GLASS BEADS"

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

) Group Art Unit: 1731

) Examiner:

) INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS
BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES
POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN
ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO COMMISSIONER OF
PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, WASHINGTON, DC
20231 ON 9-18-02.

SHERIDAN ROSS P.C.

BY: Douglas Swartz

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56 and 37 CFR §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby provide a copy of each of the documents identified on the enclosed PTO Form 1449, although Applicants do not admit that any of such documents, alone or in any combination, are considered to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56(b). Moreover, the inclusion of these documents is not to be construed as an admission by Applicants that each such document is prior art as to the above-identified patent application.

With respect to references not in English, pursuant to MPEP 609A(3), Applicants are submitting the English language European Search Report issued from corresponding European Patent Application Serial No. 01127860.

Respectfully submitted,

SHERIDAN ROSS P.C.

By:

Douglas Swartz

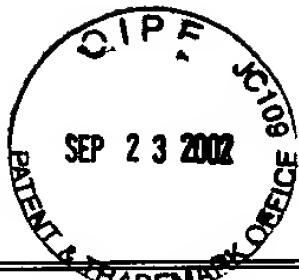
Douglas W. Swartz
Registration No. 37,739
1560 Broadway, Suite 1200
Denver, Colorado 80202-5141
(303) 863-9700

Date: Sept 18, 2002

RECEIVED

SEP 26 2002

TC 1700



SHEET 1 OF 1

FORM PTO-1449 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTY. DOCKET NO. 3797BS-1	SERIAL NO. 09/993,369
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (Use several sheets if necessary)	APPLICANT SESSIA et al.	
	FILING DATE November 21, 2001	GROUP ART 1731

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROP.
	AA	5,440,183	08/08/95	DENNE			
	AB						
	AC						

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB CLASS	TRANSLATION
							YES
							NO
	AD	2329381	03/24/99	UNITED KINGDOM			
	AE						

OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

AF	
AG	
AH	

RECEIVED

SEP 26 2002

TC 1700

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.	



European Patent
Office

EUROPEAN SEARCH REPORT

Application Number

EP 01 12 7860

DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category	Citation of document with indication, where appropriate, of relevant passages	Relevant to claim	CLASSIFICATION OF THE APPLICATION (Int.Cl.7)
Y	GB 2 329 381 A (BH F) 24 March 1999 (1999-03-24) * page 4, line 12 – page 5, line 8 *	1-7	C03B7/086
Y	US 5 440 183 A (DENNE PHILLIP R M) 8 August 1995 (1995-08-08) * column 1, line 5 – line 66 *	1-7	
The present search report has been drawn up for all claims			
1	Place of search THE HAGUE	Date of completion of the search 21 May 2002	Examiner Sozzi, R
CATEGORY OF CITED DOCUMENTS		T : theory or principle underlying the invention E : earlier patent document, but published on, or after the filing date D : document cited in the application L : document cited for other reasons & : member of the same patent family, corresponding document	
X : particularly relevant if taken alone Y : particularly relevant if combined with another document of the same category A : technological background O : non-written disclosure P : intermediate document			

ANNEX TO THE EUROPEAN SEARCH REPORT
ON EUROPEAN PATENT APPLICATION NO.

EP 01 12 7860

This annex lists the patent family members relating to the patent documents cited in the above-mentioned European search report.
The members are as contained in the European Patent Office EDP file on
The European Patent Office is in no way liable for these particulars which are merely given for the purpose of information.

21-05-2002

Patent document cited in search report		Publication date		Patent family member(s)	Publication date
GB 2329381	A	24-03-1999	AT AU CA DE EP WO JP	209612 T 9090098 A 2304039 A1 69802714 D1 1037859 A1 9914166 A1 2001516693 T	15-12-2001 05-04-1999 25-03-1999 10-01-2002 27-09-2000 25-03-1999 02-10-2001
US 5440183	A	08-08-1995	AT AU AU AU CA CA DE DE EP EP WO WO JP US	167597 T 2439292 A 672954 B2 2444892 A 2113340 A1 2113344 A1 69225972 D1 69225972 T2 0595866 A1 0594757 A1 9301646 A1 9301577 A1 7501437 T 5605462 A	15-07-1998 11-02-1993 24-10-1996 11-02-1993 21-12-1993 21-01-1993 23-07-1998 18-02-1999 11-05-1994 04-05-1994 21-01-1993 21-01-1993 09-02-1995 25-02-1997